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Probably Orderly book of
Capt Ivers Company of Grafton Mass
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Therefore Immediately to be Discharg
from the Said John M.c Laughlen of Capt
Rawlings Company of Rifle men & Tried by the
above Court martial for Geting Drunk, and absen
ting himself from Duty the Court are of opinion
that the Said M.c Laughlen is Guilty of the above Charge
and therefore Sentances him to Receive 20 Lashes on
his naked Back and then to Return to his Duty
Gen.l Ward approves of the above Sentance and orders them
Immediately to be put in Execution the above said Genl
Court Martial is Dissolved by order of Gen.l Ward Samuel
Ward Aide Camp

the Sentance of John M.c Laughlen is to be put
in Execution tomorrow at the Beating of the Reveil

Cambridge November 6.th 1775

Samuel Huntington & John English Soldiers in the
3.d.th Regiment of foot Tried at the late Gen.l Court
Martial for Mutiny the Court Upon Mature Consider
ation are of opinion that the Evidence against
the Prisoners is not Sufficient to Convict them of Mutiny
but that Each of them is Guilty of Assisting & Encouraging
Mutiny therefore Adjudge that Each of them pay 13.s
and Suffer Each of them 15 Days Fatigue the
Gen.l Approves the Sentance & Orders them to be put
in Execution as the Commander in Chief has
Been Apprized of a Design formed for the Observance
of that Ridiculous & Childish Custom of Burning
the Effigies of the Pope he Cannot help Expressing
his Surprize that there Should be Officers & Men in
this Army So void of Common Sense as not to See the
Impropriety of Such a Step at at this Juncture
at a time When we are Soliciting & Have Rarely

obtained the friendship & alliance of Canada
ought to Consider as Brethren imbarqued in the same
Cause the Defence of Genl Liberty of America at
such a Juncture & in such Circumstances to be insulting
them Religion is so monstrous as not to be suffered
or Excused indeed instead of offering the most Remote
insults it is our Duty to address Publick Thanks to
these our Brethern as to them we are so much indebted
for Late happy Success over the Common Enemy

Regimental Orders Novem^r 6th 1775

for Picquet this Night Lt Sherman
for Main Guard tomorow Lt Abbe
for fatigue Lt Morse

It is to be observed by the Orderly Serjts in Colo Wards Regiment
that they are to Turn 2 men out of Each of there Companys
Exclusive of the fatigue party to parade Precisely at 7 oClock
tomorrow morning for the Purpose of Cuting wood Lt
Bond to Command the above party
N B all the axes are to be Collected this Day by 3 oClock
P M that Belong to said Regiment & Left at the
Guard House

Cambridge Head Quarters Novm^r 6th 1775

Genl Orders that Robert Hanson Harison Esqr is appointed
Aid Camp to his Excelency the Commander in Chief and
all Orders Whether Written or Verble Coming from the Genl
through Mr Harison are to be punctually obayed
as the men Coming from Lt Colo Read of the 26th Regt
Were Relieved by application to head Quarters the Genl
is so far from Being Displeased with Colo Read for
his Endeavour from Infringment on Genl Orders that
he thanks the Colo as he shall Every Officer who
pays strict obedience to Orders as without so Doing

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it is in vain to think of ~~Restraining~~ Preserving Order and Discipline in an Army the Disagreableness of the Weather and the Scarcity of wood Incline the Gent to over Look the Offence Committed at that time but he hopes and Expects the Officers & Soldiers will for the future Carefully avoid wantonly Cutting the Trees & Commiting Waste on the Properties of those already but too much Distress'd by the Depredations of the Enemy

Roxbury Orders Novem^r 6th 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo^l Eager

for the Piquet this Night Colo^l Douglas

The Sentance against John M^c Laughlin which was to have Ben Executed this Morning, Application having Ben Made to the Gen^l by his officers Upon his Promising Reformation, the Gen^l Gives his pardon to the above Named John M^c Laughlin the Fatigue men are Dispensed one half till further Orders Colo Reads Riget to send a Capt for Main Guard tomorrow

Gen^l Wards Orders that a Gen^l Court Martial Sett tomorrow Morning 9 o Clock Whereof Colo Cotten is President for the trial of such Prisoners as shall be Brought Before them all Evidences & Persons Concerned to attend the Court

(Captains Samuel Billings Moses Soul Edward Segrave Abel Pettibone) Lieu^t Ezra Bowers Samuel Flowers Samuel Brown Simon Learned Edmonds. Lorge Whipple Sharp Hall; Capt Wareham Parkes Judge Advocate, By Order of Gen^l Ward

Sam^l Osgood Aide Camp

Regimental Orders November 7th 1775

The Orderly Sarjts are hearby Commanded to Bring on there men on the parade there selves in Proper Order and not let them Come on in such a Scattering manner as no one

Sergeant

Will be Brought it by him & he is to Remain
on the Main Guard the Party is Marched off for Orders of
to Colonel Barne James Heart Adjut
Roxbury Camp November 7th 1775
Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Major Clark
for the Picquet this night Colo. ~~Colonel~~ Learned
Colo. Bailey Senr a Capt for Main Guard tomorrow
Colo. Brewer furnish the Meetinghouse Guard tomorrow
Colo Cotton send an Orderly Serjt to Genl Wards
Brigad Weeks to go to Cambridge for Orders
for the Gentlemen who Provided the sash and forget
Colo Upon me for the Money
Jabish Brewer
Cambridge Orders November 7th 1775
Parole Wilby Countersign Liberty
Regimental Orders for November 8th 1775
for Picquet this Night Lt Jonas Brown
for Main Guard tomorrow Capt Cushing
to Fatigue ~~Capt~~ Gale
November 9th Returned 39 men
for Provisions Signed by Jonas Brown Lt
Roxbury November 8th 1775
Field officer of the Day tomorrow Major Prentice
Officer of the Guard Colonel ~~Learned~~, Colonel
Sargent Furnish the Meetinghouse Guard Lieut
Colonel Walker Send an Orderly Serjt to Genl Wards
Regiment Brigad to go to Cambridge for Orders
tomorrow
Cambridge Head Quarters November 8th 1775
Parole Exit Countersign Success
Regimental Orders for November 9th 1775
Officer for Picquet this Night Lt Lincoln
for Main Guard tomorrow Lt Bond for Fatigue None

Cambridge November 9th 1775

To Prevent any future Allegiance Notice is hearby given that the Rifle Battalion will be Reviewed this Days Arms tomorrow at 12 oClock Noon

Brigadier Genl Thomas having Dropt his Pocket Book Between here & Roxbury & Passport Will Gentlemen who have Found the same in Paper Money & Note of hand & Sundry Letters any Person Bringing the same to Major Henly at Brig Genl Heaths in Cambridge Will be Handsomly Rewarded

Roxbury Orders November 9th 1775

Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Col. Putnam

That the Genl Court Martial Now in Being be Very Punctual to Set at the time they have Adjourned themselves to for the Trial of such Prisoners as may be Brought Before them

Lieutenant Thomas to Attend the above Court

A Genl Court Martial to Set tomorrow morning 9 oClock to try Capt Cooper & Ensign Carter for abuse to Lt Hemmens & Lt Craggs of the Riflemen & Nathan Lowe and Parsons Convicted are Desired to give their attendance at Capt Waterman's at 9 time

Colo Douglas President

Capts { Tilsons / Taylor / Healy } Lieut. Ely of Waltham Peirce / Cody Lewis Samuel Haywood

Wood of Cottons Regiment Durham

Capt William King Judge Advocate

A Patient Bement to Attend the Court

Regimental Orders for November 10th 1775

Officer for Picquet this Night Lt Jonas Brown

for Main Guard tomorrow Capt Washburn Lt Gates

for Fatigue Lt Price

Cambridge Head Quarters Novem 10th 1775

The Genl thanks Colo Thompson Gallant Officers & Soldiers as well of the 27th Regt as of the Riflers for their Elacrity in Paping through the water to get to the

On Examination he is informed that some
whose Names are yet Unknown who Deserve
Backwardness in Erecting the Causeway: there
will be Thanks if that they Can be Discovered the
Gen.l was much surprised and Concerned to see the
Disorder in which many of the Arms in several of the
Regiments appeared he has not time to inquire the
Names of the Particular Officers to which Corps
they Belong but Desires that this hint may be
Read as an admonition by such Officers as the Consciousness
of their Neglect of this Duty as other Misbehaviour will
be taken upon first Notice

Roxbury Orderly Novem.r 10th 1775

Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo.l Daniel Putnam
for Picquet Time Eight Col.o Read

Colo.l Powers furnish the Meeting house Lt. Genl
Colo.l Huntington sends an Orderly Sergt to Genl Wards

Tomorrow Adjutant Whiting Goes to Cambridge
for Orders tomorrow the Court Martial whereof Colo.l
Douglass is President is adjourned to tomorrow morning
at 9.o Clock and all Evidences and Persons Concerned are
Ordered to Give their attendance at Mr. Watermans

Roxbury November 11th 1775

Gen.l Hardy(orders) the Genl Hears with Astonishment that
many of the Officers Neglect to Examine the Arms Ammunition
of their respective Corps in order to see that they are compleat
for action agreeable to the Orders heretofore Given.

Every Commander of a Regiment or Corps is to see that
the Arms Accoutrements & Ammunition of Everyman
under his Command is always fit for immediate action
that the Cartridges be suited to Each Gun for which they
are Designed and a sufficient Number of them the Arms
clean & Locks in Order and for this Purpose that
Nothing may be Wanting in time of Action and all the
Arms & Locks are Constantly to be Viewed twice a week
Officers are to Attend Strictly to these Orders on

County or elsewhere the last Regulations of Discipline will be implicitly obeyed.

William Locke in Capt. Hawkins's Company of Riflemen Convicted by a Genl. Court Martial whereof Colo. Cotton was President for Insolent Behaviour to the Officer of the Day Sentenced to pay a Fine of one pound Lawful Money and to ask pardon of the Officer of the Day in the Presence of the Regiment to which he belongs.

The Court are of Opinion that he shall be Punished with a Fine of one pound Lawful Money and to ask pardon of the Officer of the Day in the Presence of the Regiment to which he belongs.

Jacob Nagmug of Capt. Cathrop's Company for Robbing Hooking & Stealing. Tried by the above Genl. Court Martial. The Court are of Opinion that the Prisoner is Guilty of the Accusation against him and Sentenced him to be whipt Thirty Lashes on his naked back at the Publick Whipping Post

The Genl. approves the above Sentences and Orders them to be Put in Execution

The Court Martial whereof Colo. Cotton was President is Dissolved

Head Quarters Cambridge November 13th 1775

Return 38 men for Provisions

Roxbury Orders November 12th 1775

For Picquet this night Colo. Reed

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Major Tupper

Colo. Cotton for the Meeting House Guard tomorrow

Colo. Brewer for a Capt. for Main Guard tomorrow

Colo. Danielson sends an Orderly Sergt. to Genl. Washs Head Quarters to go to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow

Cambridge Orders November 12th 1775

Each Colo. of the new Establishment to Command Quarter tomorrow morning at 10 o'Clock in order to receive from the Genl. so many Recruits for Enlistments as are Commissioned officers in his Regiment, they will therefore without Delay Distribute one to each officer who is to Enlist Men for their respective Regts. in the Continental Army

The Soldiers at the Barracks for Recruits Expect

Are Ingaged to serve untill the Last Day of December 1776

As the Time Limited of the 31st of October is to be Paid
that Every Non Commissioned and Soldier shall be paid
by the Calender month 4/ a Sergt 2/8 to Corpl Drummr
& fifer 2/4 Each Private 2/ which pay it is Expected will
be Regularly Destributed Every month Every Non
Commissioned Officer & Soldier Drums & fifes Excepted) is to
furnish his own arms if arms are found him he is to allow
6/ at the End of the Campaign for the use thereof

New Cloathing will forthwith be provided for every
Non Commissioned officer & Soldier for which an easy stoppage
of only 10/ p.r month will be made out of the pay untill
the Whole is paid Two Dollars will be allowed Each Non
Commissioned officer & Soldier who provides himself with a
Good Blanket and Liberty to take it away at the End of
the Campaign

The Present Allowance
of Provisions will be Continued and those who Inlist will
be indulged in a Reasonable time to Visit their Families in
the Course of the Winter this is to be Regulated in such
a manner as Not to Weaken the Army or Injure the
Service

To prevent such Contentions as have arisen from
the same Person being inlisted by Different officers
and for Different Regiments it is positively Ordered
upon pain of being Cashiered that no officer Knowingly
presume to inlist any Soldier who has ben Previously
inlisted by another officer When such a mistake
happens undesignedly the first inlistment is to take place
the officers are to be Carefull not to inlist any Person
Suspected of Being unfriendly to the Liberties of America
or any Vagabond to whom the Cause are Equally alike
indifferant the Rights of mankind and the freedom of
America will have Numbers sufficient to them without
resorting to such Wretched Assistance but those who
Delight to Fight where Freemen fill their Ranks
and Share their Confidence in such Messengers to

Neither Negroes Boys unable to bare Arms nor Women
unfit to bare the fatigues of a Campaign are to be
inlisted the preferance being Given to the present army

The Officers are Ingeniently to try what Number of
men Can be inlisted in the Course of a week and
make Report there of to their Colo.s who will Report
it to the Gen.l this is to be Done Every week untill the
Whole are Compleated

The Regiments are to Consist of 8 Companys 6
Each Company of a Capt.n 2 Lieu.ts 2 an Ensigne 4 Serjts
4 Corporals 2 Drums or fife & 76 Privates as the Regts
are Compleated they will be Mustered & then Receive by
their Commander in Chief when a Role of Each Company
Sign by the Capt.s according to a form Previously Delivd
by the Adjt Gen.l is to be Delivd to his Excellency

~~from his Provincial Brigadier Gen.l~~ the Colo.s of
Each ~~the Commission'd the Commission'd~~ Regiment
will Recive a List of the officers upon the New Establish-
ment from his Brigadier Gen.l

The Commissiond. & Non Commissiond officers & Soldiers
of the Present Army are Notwithstanding there New
Engagements to Continue in the Regiment & Company
they Now belong to Untill Further Order

Upon any Soldiers Being inlisted from the Present
into the New Establishment the Regiment he Now
belongs to with his Name Town & County are to be Entered
in a Role Kept for that purpose by Each officer a Copy
of this Role Sign'd to be sent Every Saturday to the
Colo.s of Each Regiment

When the New Regiments are Compleated
the Colo.s may upon Application Receive Continental
Commissions for themselves & their officers

Regimental Order for Novem.r 13.th 1775

for Picquet this Night Lt. Mann
for Guard tomorrow Lt. Sherman

for fatigue None

Roxbury Orders 13th November 1775

A Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Major [illegible] Jacobs
For Picquet this night Major Daniels[on]: Capt. Phillips
Junr. for the Meetinghouse: 2d. Guard Capt. Read Sends
an Order Sergeant to Genl. Wards
Major Bailey Goes to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow
Taken out of the New Barrack belonging
to the Meetinghouse a Ring Worm No. 99 and the
letter W. J. on the Britch with a Bagonet and Cartridge
Box all Commanding Officers of Companys are Desired to
Search their respective Companies & the same and if
found are Desired to Send the same to Major Brickets
Genl. Wards Orders

A Genl. Court Martial to Sit tomorrow morning 9 o'Clock
for such Persons as may be Brought before them
all Witnesses and persons Concerned are to attend said Court
Capt. Ward President

Captains Regt
Hazeltine Gillow
Wait Danielson
Crafts Read
Partridge Huntington
Hubs
Fuller Ward
Thos Bates
Walker Pritchard Sandelson
Matthew Gray Leonard

Hubs Regt
Ring Whelden
Parker Hayden
Mefell Huntington
Darrow Parsons

Capt. Parks Judge Advocate

Regimental Orders for Novem. 15th 1775
For Picquet this Night Lt. Mose
For Main Guard tomorrow Capt. Millen Lt. Sheldon
for Fatigue Lt. Lovet Brown

Cambridge Head Quarters November 14th 1775
This Moment a Confirmation is arrived of the Glorious
Success of the Continental Army in the Reduction and
Surrender of the Fortress of St. Johns the Garison of that Place
& Chamblee being made Prisoners of war the Commander
in Chief in Confident the army under his immediate Direction
will Shew due Gratitude to Providence for these favouring

The Cause of Freedom and America and by their Manifest
to God their Zeal and Perseverance in this Righteous
Cause Continue to Deserve his further Blessings

That no Kind of Confusion and Disorder may Arise
Between the Old & New Appointments in Case the Despard
and Motive of the Enemy should Call them into Action
it is again Desired that the men who Inlist in to the
New Army are to Continue in the Regts & Companies they
at Present Belong to until all further Orders & to Carefully
Recommended to all the Officers of the Old Regiments
to see that those men's Arms are always in Good order
and men not suffered to Straggle from Camp Nor on any
Account Quit their Posts when upon Duty but Ready to
turn out at a Minutes Warning and this may Rely upon
it they will be Strictly Call'd upon Whatever Event Happens

Fifty Pound Complaints this Day having been
made against the Commissary Genl from Several Field
Officers &c in Genl Sullivans Brigade the Commander
in Chief Desires the Complainants that Their Strictest
Examination shall be made into the Conduct of the
Commissary Genl as Soon as he Arrives in Cambridge which
is Expected this Week

Whereas the Genl has been Informed that the Orders
of the 6th of September have been Construed to Permit any
Approved Sutler to Sell Spirituous Liquor to the Soldiers
Belonging to other Regiments without the Permission
of the Commanding Officer of the Regiment in which
Soldier Belongs it is therefore Order'd that no Commanding
Officer of a Regiment shall Authorize more than one
Sutler to a Regiment and such Appointment shall
be Notified in Regimentals & Orders no Person being
Authorized to Presume to Sell Spirituous Liquor to
any Soldier Belonging to any Other Regiment
without Leave in Writing under the Hand of the
Commanding Officer to which he Belongs

Roxbury November 12th 1775

Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Cotton
To Picquet this Night Colo Baley

Colo. Dowlson Sent a Capt. for Main Guard
Gen. Spencer Furnish the Meeting house Lieut. Guard
Colo. Varnum Sent an Orderly Serg.t to Gen.l Ward tomorrow
Adjut Thomas Goes to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow
The Court Martial Whereof Colo. Ward was
President is Adjourd till tomorrow morning 9 o Clock A.M.
Mr. Ralph Smith the Whaler all Parties & Members
and parties Concerned are Ordered to Attend for Sayd
purpose of Same Purchasers Securities &c.
Roxbury November 15th 1776
All Officers of the Day tomorrow Major Attended
for Picquet this Night Colo. Persons, Colo.
Huntington Furnish the meeting house Lieut. Guard
Colo. Persons Sent an Orderly Serg.t to Gen.l Wards
Adjut Thos. to Go to Cambridge for Orders
And whereas the Purchasers of Goods which were
taken of the Light house ware to pay the same Leiu
Due to Major Crane and Capt. Hamblen but have neglected
to the time the Committe do Grant a further
Indulgence to Settle the same at 6 o Clock afternoon
to Day Otherwise it is Desired all Persons who are
Concerned to pay to Major Crane Gentlemen
at or before that time and all Officers who were in
that Expedition are Desired to make a Return of the
Number of Men that went with them from there
Respective Regiments at that time & place
& Likewise the Officers Commanding Companies do not
Neglect to Warn the Men to Attend
each that they Notify to the Major of Brigade to
them at Ten of Each Day and those that do
not Attend at the time & before may not Expect to
have them for the future
The Court Martial Whereof Colo. Ward is President
is Adjourd till tomorrow morning 9 o Clock & that all
Parties & Evidences Concerned are are Ordered to Attend
Colo. Wards Room is to be Main Guard

Cambridge Aug. 13th Novem. Dec. 1775

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Parole Connecticut
Countersign Brown

Lt Lyon of Major Johnsons Comp.y in the 3d Regiment tryed by the late Genl Court Martial whereof Colo Patterson was President for aiding and Countenancing mutiny in the Camp there being no proof of the Charge the Court unanimously Acquit the Prisoner. Lt Cooper and Ensign Parker tryed at a late Genl Court Martial whereof Colo Douglas was President for Striking & abusing Lt Hanford & Lt Engel & Keeping Lt Engel in the Meeting house Guard all night the Court are of Opinion that the Prisoners are Guilty of a Breach of the 16th Article of the Rules & Regulations of the Massachusetts Army and therefore unanimously Adjudge the Prisoners to be Discharged the Continental Army — Lt John Bower tried at a late Genl Court Martial for Divers times leaving the Camp without leave and for Countinancing the Soldiers in Disobedience of orders the Court are unanimously of opinion that the Prisoner is Guilty of Quiting the Camp without leave but Acquit the Prisoner the latter Part of the Charge therefore only Adjudge the Prisoner to be Mulcted four pounds of his pay and Appropriated as Directed by the 31st Article of War and Levied by Regimental by the Colo of the head of the Regiment

Sergt Jonathan Putney & Corpl Hayward Thomas Loring & Isaac Larabee Samuel Nott and Ebenezer Williams Soldiers of Capt Fletchers Company the late Colo Ganos Regt tryed by the late Genl Court Martial whereof Colo Patterson was President for mutiny the Court are of opinion that the Prisoners Sergt Putney Corpl Hayward Thomas Loring Samuel Nott and Ebenezr Williams

are guilty of the Crime Laid to their Charge and
Adjudge the said Sgt. to be Reduced to the Ranks
& Fine £4 and to be Punished as Directed by
the 61st Article of War the said Corpl to be Reduc'd
a Private & to be Whipt 39 Lashes the Drummer
with 25 Lashes and the Drummer with 39 Lashes
upon their bare backs with a Cat & 9 tails the
Commander in Chief Approves of all the above
Sentences of the Several Court Martials mentioned
in this Days Orders and Directs the Execution of
them Accordingly.

November 16th. Returned 38 men
for Provisions

Cambridge November 16th 1776

Sir

I am Commanded by his Excellency General Washington
the inclosed Orderly Book to Transmit to you
Necessary that many of the Regiments should be
Reduced and the whole Put upon a Different Establish
ment Several Deserving Officers not Longing
Demerit but from Necessity have been Excluded the
New Arrangment of the Army among these was
Colo. Whitcomb but the Noble Sentiments Disclosed
by that Gentleman upon that Occation the Zeal he has
shown in Exhorting the men Not to Abandon the
Interest of the Country at this Important Crisis and
his Determination to Continue in the Service Even as
a Private Soldier Rather than by a Bad Example
When the Enemy are Gathering Strength: Just the
Publick Offers at Hazards When an Example of this
Kind is Not Only Intitled to Particular Thanks but to Particular Rewards in Bestowing
it Which Colo Jona Brewer is Intitled to is No Small
Share of Credit he Readily Giving up the Regiment
which he was Appointed to Command to Colo Whitcomb
Colo Whitcomb therefore is from hence forth to be Consid
Colo of that Regiment which was Intended for.

for Colo Brewer and Colo Brewer will be appointed
Barrack Master will Inspecting Bolsters with as Expe-
dition Can be Provided

Roxbury Orderly November 16th 1775

Field Officer of the Day Colo Bailey
for Picquet this Night Colo Clapp
Genl Sherman sent a Capt for a Main Guard Tomorrow
Colo Brewer furnish the meeting house for Quarter Guard
Genl Thomas sent an Orderly Sergt to Genl Wards
Picquet Mr Allen to go to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow

Genl Wards Orders

Benjamin White a Soldier in Capt Pitts Company
Confined to the Guard for going to Cambridge without leave
tried by a Genl Court Martial Whereof Colo Warner
President upon hearing the Witnesses the Court are
of opinion the Prisoner is Guilty of Both Crimes Laid
to his Charge and Sentance him to refund back to
Cornet Haviland two pounds Eight Shillings which was
found with the Prisoner Likewise two pounds Sixteen
Shillings to be Deducted out of his Wages and paid to the
Sd Haviland being in the whole £5 : 4 : 0 Equal to the
Sum taken from Sd Haviland ,, Likewise order the
Prisoner to be Whipt 39 Lashes on the bare Back
and be Discharged Drums out of the Army the Genl
Approves of the above Sentance And Orders it to be put
into Execution

The Genl Court Martial Whereof Colo Ward
is President is Adjourned to monday the 17th Instant
to Meet at Mr Smiths 9 o Clock in the morning

Cambridge Head Quarters November 17th

Representation having been made to the Continental
Congress of the Great inequality in the pay of the
Officers & Soldiers of this Army being Lower then equal
and Less then was Ever Given to Commissioned Officers
in any other Service while that of the Soldiers is higher
The Congress has Been Pleased to Increase the pay

of the Captain to 26 Dollars 2/3 first L.t to 18 Dollars
& 2 Lieut & Ensign to 13 Dollars 1/3 p.r Calender Month
Each to take place as soon as the New Regiments are
Completed to their full Complement of men. The
Congress have given this Encouragement to the Captains
Sole View they have in Contemplation with a View to
impress upon their Minds a Due Sence of Gratitude at the
Same time it is intended to Enable them to support the
Character & Appearance of Gentlemen Officers which will
so much tend to the Reputation of the Regiment and Cannot
but be pleasing to Every man in it.

It is Expected that the New formed Regiments
Exert themselves in the Recruiting Service & there Colo.
Desire now that they make Returns thereof the Day after
to Day that the Recruiting ~~Officers~~ parties may be sent
into the Country if any Backwardness should appear
& then this happens the Colo.s of the Old Regiments are
to be Consulted to prevent the Companies being Left
without Officers

No furloughs have been Granted to the New
Inlistments none Other Can be Indulged under any
Pretence whatsoever and in order that those furloughs
may be given with Some Degree of Regularity none
but the Colo.s or Commanding Officers upon the New
Establishment are to Grant them and they respectively
not to have out more than 60 be absent at a time
Beginning with those who inlisted first and Going on in
a Regular Rotation Allowing Each man — Days
to be absent and so many Days to Go & Return

The Colo.s or Commanding Officers of the New
Establishment Regiments are to meet at the Q.r Mas
Gen.l in ~~Boston~~ Cambridge tomorrow at 11.o Clock to
fix upon the Uniform of their Respective Regiments
that the making the Cloathing may not be
interrupted Without which Cannot be

Done and the Work must not be Delay'd

Lt. Cary of Colo. Prescott's Regiment Tried at the late Gen.l Court Martial held at Cambridge for Colo. Patterson was Refound for forgery & Defrauding the men of their Pay the Court are of opinion that Lt. Cary was guilty of Defrauding Some of the men of their Blanket money and of Attempting to Defraud others of their Coat money and therefore do pass the Prisoner to be Cashiered the Gen.l approves the Sentance and Orders it to be Put in Execution Immediately

Cambridge Head Quarters November 18th 1775

There was a Mistake in Entering of the Gen.l Orders of Yesterday, the honourable Continental Congress have Thot proper to Allow the first & 2d Lieuts the same pay (Viz) 18 Dollars a month to Each & the Ensign 13 Dollars 1/3 Each the Commissary Gen.l is Order'd to Issue all the horns of all the Bullocks that are Kill'd for the use of the Army to be Save'd & Sent to the Quarter Master Gen.l who is to Provide as many more as he Can Get for the use of the Troops The Honorable Legislative of this Colony having Thot fit to set apart Thursday the 22d Instant as a Day of Publick Thanksgiving to Offer up our Prayers & Praises to Almighty God the Soure and Benovelent Benefactor of all Good that he would be Pleased Graciously to Continue to Smile upon Our Endeavours to be Instrumental & Preserve our Rights & Previlages to the Latest Posterity Prosper the American Army Preserve and Strengthen the Harmony of the United Colonies and avert the Calamities of a Civil War

The Gen.l Therefore Commands that Day to be Observed with all the Solemnity Directed by the Legislative of the Province And all Officers and Soldiers & others are hereby Directed with the most Unfeigned Devotion to Obey the same Any Non Commissioned Officers or Soldiers Confined on account of Leaving the Detachment Commanded by Colo. Arnold

in any of the Main or Quarter Guards of the Army are to be immediately Released

Roxbury Orders November 18th 1775

Field Officer of the Day Tomorrow Major Sproat
for Picquet this night Major Topham,
Colo. Cotton Field Capt for Main Guard Tomorrow
Colo. Walker Fifteen men Chosen Sent to Genl Wards
Colo. Learned Twenty five for the meeting house Guard
Adjutant Todgood to go to Cambridge for Orders

Whereas Sundry Adjutants in the Camps in Direct saw of Orders have Presumed to send Others then the Regt Major for the Parole & Countersign this will Give them to Know that Genl Orders will be Strictly Conformed with by the Major of Brigade

Genl Wards Orders that the fatigue men Parade at 9 o'Clock in the morning and work till 3 in the afternoon and then be Dismist and that the fatigue men be augmented one third with Proper Officers and to Continue till further Orders

Roxbury Orders November 19th 1775

Field Officer of the Day Tomorrow Major Sparhawk
for the Picquet this night Major Smith
Adjt. ——

That the Officers of the main Guard be very Carefull to bring him when Back and Dismiss them on the Grand Parade where he Red them for the future as many Neglects of that kind have happened of late Orders made for the Main and Picquet Guard to take place on Tuesday Next much to the Ease of Duty both of Soldiers and Officers of the Camp

Cambridge Head Quarters November 19th 1775

The Brigadier Gent to make a Return of the No of Men necessary to furnish three Respective Divisions with Wood and the Teams appointed for Each Division to be Continued and employed in the Service of that Division

Division
not to be Shifted from one to another as Grate Confusion
Arises thereby Sum Regiments having a Double Share of
Woor While others are Suffering for Want the Quartermaster
Gen.l to provide the Teames Returnd Necessary for the
above Service & Wagon Master Gen.l to Continue them
in that Imployment

All Persons are Strictly Prohibited purchasing
any Cloaths from the Non Commissioned officers & Soldiers
& any Person Violating this Order Shall be Sent Prisoner to
the Main Guard by the Colo.s or officer Commanding
the Regiment the Cloaths Belong to

The Cloaths to be forthwith Delivered upon
the Loss Sustained to fall upon the purchaser

November 20th Returnd 37 men for
Provisions Jonas Brown Sign.d

Cambridge Head Quarters Novem.r 20 1775

The Colo.s Commanding officers of Regts upon the new
Establishment are forthwith to Send one officer from Each
Company upon the Recruiting Service into the Country
they are to take with them A Copy of the Recruiting Instruc-
tions as Containd in Gen.l Orders of the 12th instant
and Comply Strictly therewith Care to be taken not
to Leave any Company under the Old Establishment
Destitute of proper officers

as the Gen.l is informed that this is the Season in which
the people of the New England Governments lay in
provisions & Coals for the use of there families he
has Recommended (in the strongest manner he is capable)
the Necessity of Sending money to Camp for the immed-
iate payment of the Troops for the month of October
and November and in order inable those who have
again Inlisted and such others as are Resolvd to
Continue in the Service to do this more Effectually
he has also Recommended them to the Congress for one
months Forward pay and has no Doubt himself of the

Being Complyd with if money Can be Provided in time

No Soldier when Ever Dismiss'd to Convey away any Arms with him that are Good & fit for Service if the Arms are his own Private Property they will be Prized and he with Recive the full Value Thereof Proper When Necessary will be appointed to Inspect & Value the Arms when So Retained

Roxbury Orders Novem^r 2^d 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Col^o Douglass
for Picquet this Night Col^o Eager
Field officer of the Main Guard Major Hollman
Lieu^t Thomas for ye Meeting house Guard
Col^o Huntington Send an Orderly Sergt to Lieu^t Wards
Regt Bemont to Go to Cambridge for Orders

as the Duty in Camp is found almost to
fatiguing the Gen^l Orders the following Regulation
to take place (Viz) the main Guard to Consist for the
future of 3 Capt^s 3 Subs 18 Sergts 18 Corp^ls 360
Privates who will be Counted into proper Devisions
and Commanded by a field officer the Picquet to be
Discontinued and its place Supplyd in the following
manner (Viz) Each Regt to Supply a Picquet
of one Capt 2 Subs 2 Sergts 2 Capt^s & 40 men
who are to be Commanded a field officer this Picquet
to Parade at Sunset at their Regimental Parade
when the officers will Examine their men Arms
Accoutrements &c. Tell them into 2 Devisions
after which they are to Order the men to Turn in
with their Cloaths accoutrements Ready to turn
out at any Alarm or at the Orders of their Commanding
officer They are to take their Alarm post Before
Day Break their Station is on the Right of the
Lines in the Fort and to which the Picquet of Each
Regt, Except the Regts at Dorchester are
Immediately to Repair on any Alarm when they are

formed at there post they will Devide in the following manner (viz) Each Regt to Picquet with Com a Sick Division Divided into 2 platoons & 2 Sub Divisions form a Grand Division

The field officer of the Main Guard is to mount Down at the head of the Guard & Dismiss them on the Grand Parade when he Relieves them unless the weather be very Bad

Cambridge Head Quarters Novemr 21st 1775

A Court martial of Whom Colo Cleaveland was President to Decide & Give Sentence on Charges exhibited against Capt Thomas Chiney Surgeon to the 24th Regiment and also Late Genl Court martials of which Colo Cleaveland was President for Drawing more Hospital Rum than he had a Right to Draw and for Villifying the Character of Major Genl Lee & Putnam the Genl Court was of opinion the Prisoner was Guilty of Speaking words Tending to the Dishonor of Major Genl Putnam and therefore do Adjudge him to be Cashiered

John Davidson of Capt Bancrafts Company and Thomas Walton of Capt Storms Company & Colo Bridges Regiment Tryed at the above Genl Court Martials for Quitting there Post when upon Duty the Court were of Opinion that the Prisoners Are Guilty of the Crime Laid to their Charge & do Adjudge them to be Punished with 39 Lashes Each But in Account of the youth and Ignorance of their Duty the Court Recommends the Prisoners to mercy the Genl is Pleased upon there Recommendation of the Court to pardon the Prisoners but at the Same time Desires it may be Noticed that such a Crime will not meet with mercy in future

Roxbury Orders November 21st 1775

Colo Hastings officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Learned
officer of the Picquet tomorrow morning Major Daniels for
officer of the Main Guard tomorrow
Colo Brewer to furnish Fifteen Men for Guard
tomorrow Colo Cotton furnish the meeting house Guard
Colo Brewer send an Orderly Serjt to Genl Ward tomorrow
Picquet Hyller to go to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow
Regimental Orders November 22d
officer for Picquet this night Lt Ward
for Main Guard tomorrow Capt Curtis for tomorrow
for fatigue Lt Livermore

Cambridge Head Quarters November 22d 1775

Field Officer for Tomorrow Brigadier Sullivan

The Congress having thought proper that once Thirteen Companies amongst the first Battalions of the New Establishment that if there Capts Do not Recruit a Company the Command will be taken away and given to such Saint provided he Can fill them up which makes the first Saint Indefinant and like Manna in the Creeping Baggage where such an Opinion Could rise it is Hard to say but if it be possible that there are any officers in the Army Actuated by such principals the Genl must positively Assure them that they Do not by Deceave themselves that if Proof Can be given of such a Charge such Guilty Enemys to their Country will with Disgrace be Dismiss from the Continental Army & Service for Ever the Genl thought it his Duty to give them this Publick Notice

When Ever any of the Commanding officers of one of the New Regiments Gives a furlough to an officer to Recruit he is Previously to Give Notice thereof to the Commanding officer of the Regt the Recruiting officer Do belongs to in Order that he may be Apprized thereof and Know in what manner to make his Weekly Returns the Neglect of which is by no means to be Neglected them of the artillery Regts Not to be Reduced into the other Regts

As fast as the men move into Barracks the Colo.ne to take Special Care the tents be immediately Delivered into the hands of the Quartermaster Gen.l who after the Present Hurry of Removing is over is to Let them be Washed Repaired and Laid by, it is Expected the Col.o will frequently Visit there Barracks and see that they are Kept Clean and Decent their Victuals Properly Cooked &c

Nothing Contributes more to the health of the Troops or Can add more to the Reputation of the officers than men to be Clean Clean healthy & well Dress'd

Those officers who have been all this Summer in Service & Recommended by the honorable Congress of this Colony for Commissions may now apply for them. Those that Join Col.o Ward it is Expected that those who have given in their Names to Stay and are appointed to Serve of the New Regiments will not apply as their Commissions will be Given out by the Gen.l; so Soon as the New Establishment Takes place

The Gen.l approves the Sentance of the Gen.l Court Martial held upon Doct.r Cheney and orders it to take place immediately

Roxbury Orders November 22.d 1775

The field officer of the Picquet and Main Guard tomorrow Colo Thayer field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Reed Colo Daniel Jones Regt to furnish Drums & fifes for Guard tomorrow Colo Ward Regt furnish the meeting house Guard Colo Daniel Jones Lends are Orderly Serj.t to Gen.l Wards Adjutant & Whiting to go to Cambridge for Duty tomorrow

That the field officer of the Picquet Major Sheppard of the Main Guard Colo Glover & Colonel Bond to be Drawn out at Sun Set & to mount Guard the Next Morning and to the Picquet & main Guard to be But one Tour of Duty Till further Order

Regimental Orders for November 23d 1775

Officer for Picquet this Night Lt Sherman
to Main Guard Tomorrow Lt Timothy Brigham
for fatigue None

November 23d Returned 37 men for Provisions

The Colo. or Commanding officer of Each Regt in the New Establishment may Draw to the Amount of 2 months Pay for Each officer they Send into the Country agreable to the Order of the 12th Instant & Recruiting and furnish them Manditts Stetements to be made and Given in accordingly: men Recruited out of the Old Regiments will Continue in pay after the Terme of their Present Inlistment as usual & all New Recruites that is men not at Present in the Service and will Enter upon so Soon as they Inlist and will be allowed 6p. Day for Subsistance from the time that they Recruited untill they march for the Camp & one p day p mile from their usual place of abode to their Regts for Subsistance and Expences Afterwards. the officers are not to keep the Recruites they Raise in the Country a moment longer then they Can Help but Send them to their Respective Regts as fast as 8 or 10 of them are inlisted the Colo. or Commanding officer of the Regt may Relieve those who are sent into the Country upon the Recruiting Service as they shall see occation

and are Expressly Ordered to Recall Everyone who is Negligent or not diligent in this Duty the New inlisted men upon Producing to the Colo. or Commanding officer of the Regt they are inlisted into a Blanket for Wage will be intitled to the 2 Dollars allowed by the Continent therefor ord the Colo. or Commanding officer to make out a List of the Names of Such men that the money may be Drawn for from the Colo. to keep a Copy of Such Lists to prevent mistakes this List must Specify the Company Each man Belongs to. The Majr Genl with the Brigadier of his Division

are to appoint persons of Carector and Judgment to value
the Arms of Discharged Soldiers Certifying to whome they
Belong; and weather Publick or Private Property and what
they Consist of & fix a Reasonable and Just Price upon
them and to take none but such as are fit for Service
they to Enter into a Book such Valluation and Deliver the
Arms so Valued into the Comessary of Artilery Stores and
Take his Receight for the Same

A Genl Court Martial to Set tomorrow in
Cambridge to Try such prisoners as may be brought before them
the Genl Court Martial of which Capt Poore was President
is Dissolved

Roxbury orders November 23d 1775

Colo Danielson Officer of the Day tomorrow
Officers of the Piquet & Main Guard tomorrow Colo Clap
Colo Read to furnish Drums & fifes for Guard tomorrow
Genl Spencer to furnish the meetinghouse Pt Guard tomorrow
Adjutant Day to go to Cambridge for orders tomorrow

Regimental Orders for November 24th 1775

Officer for the Piquet this Night Lt Saml Brown
for Main Guard Tomorrow Capt Drury Lt Seaver
for fatigue Lt Perry

Cambridge Head Quarters Novemr 24th 1775

Capt William Hamet Aide de Camp to Colo Gerrish Regt Try'd at the late Genl
Court Martial for Behaving in a Low Scandulous & unofficer
like manner. The Court have Acquitted the the Prisoner the Genl
Orders him to be Released

Capt Gray of Colo Brewers Regt
Try'd by the Late Genl Court Martial Where of Colo Enoch Poore
was President for Dissuading the Soldiers from Inlisting and then
Acting the Part of a Tory & an Enemy to his Country the
Court Thinking Proper to Acquit the Prisoner the Genl
Orders him to be Released

Roxbury November 24th 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo. Read
for Picquet & main Guard tomorrow Major Jacobs
Colo Huntington furnish the Meeting house Quarter Guard
Colo. Learned send an Orderly Serjt. to Genl Wards tomorrow
Adjutant Hall to go to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow Colo Learned
furnish Drums & fifes for Guard tomorrow that all Regiments
make there Weekly Returns this day to the Brigade Major

Cambridge Head Quarters Novem. 24th 1775

Parole Countersign

The Commissioned non Commissioned officers & Soldiers Lately arrived
in Camp from Penebscot River are to join there Respective Corps
a Return of them by there Commanding officer of there Respective
Regiments to be sent to the Adjutant Genls a monday morning

at the Request of the Honble Genl Court of this Colony
the Orders that the Colo. or Commanding officer of the massachusetts
Regiments do Respectively Order Each of the ~~officers~~ Captains
to make out a Muster and pay Rolls of his Company up to the first Day of
August last from the time of Each mans Inlistment this to be Done
Agreable to the form of a Return which is Lodg'd with & may be had
of the Adjutant Genl. the Court Desires these Returns may be Confirmed
upon Oath and Lodg'd as soon as possible (with the Originals Certificates)
in the Secretarys office of the Colony that all the Massachusetts
Regiments may be paid up to the first of August aforesaid for
further Particulars to this Resolution of the Genl Court the Genl.
refers to there Resolve of the 3d Instant it being to long to insert
in these Orders

Roxbury Orders

Colo Bailey field officer of the Day Tomorrow Major Mitchel
of the Picquet and main Guard Colo Paine to furnish the Guards
with Drums & fifes ——— Genl Wards Orders

Pursuant to the Orders of his Excellency Genl Washington of the 23d
Instant Genl Ward has with the Advice of the Brigadier Genls

of this Division appointed Capt Chapman of Colo Persons Regiment Capt Putnam Peters Lieut Richard Talley of Colo Daniellsons Regt to Value the Arms of the Deserters Soldiers

Cambridge Head Quarters Novbr 26th 1775

The Colo and Commanding Officer of Regts upon the New Establishment to Order the men Inlisted to be Drawn Every monday at 12 oclock the Summon before the Brigadier Genl of their Respective Regiments Brigade who will Reject such as are not fit for Service or do not Com in the Description of the Recruting Orders the Brigadier Genl will Sign a Certificate of the Recruits he approves of & Deliver it to one of his Colonels that the Blanket Money Justly due may be paid and no more

Roxbury Orders November 26th 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Learned

Officers of the Picquet & Main Guard Colonel Allen

Colo Mansfield Furnish the Meeting house Guard

Genl Thomas Send an Orderly Serjt to Genl Wards

Lieutenant Thomas Goes to Cambridge for Orders

Whereas frequent Complaints have ben Made that the Soldiers Cut down the Small Scatter Trees on the Hills South of Mr Pynchons House which are of little or no Service to burn the Genl Expressly forbids Cutting Down them and Assures all those that may be found Guilty of the Breach of this Order will have no favour Shown them

Regimental Orders for November 27th

Officer for the Picquet this Night Lt Livermore

for Main Guard tomorrow Lt Abbe

for fatigue Lt Jonas Brown

November 27 the Return 38 men for Provisions

Cambridge Head Quarters November 27th 1775

Parole Countersign

A Court of Inquiry to set tomorrow morning to Examine into the Conduct of Lt Colo Enos who appears to have left Colo Arnold his Commanding Officer Without Leave? Major Genl Lee President

Members

Brigadier Genl Green Brigadier Genl Heath

Colo Starke Colo Nixon Major Burbeck

Major Sherburne

Roxbury Orders November 27th 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Wyllys
for Piquet & Main Guard Major Sprout Colo Learned
furnish the Meetinghouse Quarter Guard Capt Cotton
furnish Drums & fifes for Guard also Indian Orderly Serjt
to Genl Wards tomorrow Adjutant Shaw to go to
Cambridge for orders tomorrow

Regimental Orders for November 28th

for the Piquet this Night Capt Wood Lt Beaman
for Main Guard Capt Cushing Lt Price
for fatigue Lt Timothy Brigham

Cambridge Head Quarters Novem 28th 1775

Parole Countersign

An Express Last Night from Genl Mongomery Brings the
joyfull Tidings of the Surrender of the City of Montreal to the
Continental Army the Genl hopes Such frequent
favours from Devine Providence Will Animate Every American
to Continue to Exert his Utmost in the Defence of their
Liberty of his Country as it Would Now be the Basest
Ingratitude to the Almighty and to this Country to Shew
any the Least Backwardness in the Publick Cause

Regimental Orders for Novem 29th

for the Piquet this Night Lt Mann
for Main Guard tomorrow Capt Dana Lt Perry
for fatigue Dr Paul Brigham

Cambridge Head Quarters Novem 29th 1775

Capt Lieut of Colo Bridges Regiment Try'd at a late
Genl Court Martial Whereof Colo Woodbridge was President
for Behaveing in an unofficer like manner for Suffering a
Prisoner to Escape who was Chargd with and Attempt'd Steal
the Court Were Unanimously of opinion that the Prisoner
is Guilty of Behaving unbecoming an Officer by Declining
to Obey the Orders of the Quarter master Genl in not
Assisting to Secure the Soldier Suspected of the Theft and for
Offering Grossly to abuse Colo Mifflen; and therefore Adjudge
the Prisoner to Reprimanded by his Colo at the head of the
Regiment in the Presence of Colo Mifflen and also adjudge
him to pay a Fine of three Pounds to be Appropriated
According to the 51 Article of the Rules & Regulations of

the Army: Jonathan Williams a Soldier in the same Regt in Capt Sawins Company Try'd at the above Court Martial for an attempt to steal and for Insolent Language to the Quartermaster Genl the Court was of opinion that the Prisoner was Guilty of Abusive Language to the Quartermaster Genl & therefore adjudge him to pay a fine of 20/ to be Appropriated as aforesaid

Roxbury Orders for November 2d 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Major Clark for the Picquet this Night Colo Persons Genl Thomas to furnish the Meetinghouse Quarter Guard Genl Spencer to furnish the Guard with Drums & fifes Also send an orderly Serjt to Genl Ward tomorrow

Adjutant Bannister to go to Cambridge for orders tomorrow Genl Ward Orders that the Commanding officer of the Main Guard Permit no person to send Letters into Boston or have any Correspondance with the Enemies or go beyond the Centinels in the Flashes without a written order from the Genl Except Genl officers & Col Gridley by whom verbal Orders are to be Obey'd the same as if written When Ever a Flagg of Truce Comes from the Enemy the Commanding officer of the main Guard is immediately to inform the Genl by an officer what the Meaning of the Flagg was and if any Letters Come out he is to send them to the Genl

He is to be very Vigelent to Prevent any waste of their Private property in Roxbury & to see that no Injury be Done to Houses & other Buildings Keep a sufficient No of Centinals and one officer is to be Constantly Patroling to see that all the Centinels are duly to do their Duty no officer or private on the Main Guard is to Sleep in the Night the last Injunction of this Guard to the safety of the Camp Requires being awake and Ready for immediate Action to Repulse any Sudden attack of the Enemy the Genl strictly Injoins all officers to pay strict attendance to the orders of his Excellency Genl Washington of the fourth of July which forbids Cursing & Swearing and all Profanity and Drunkenness and Directs that Punctual attendance on Divine Service

Regimental Orders for Novem 3d for Picquet this night Capt Hay 4 Bond Capt Drury 4 Sherman Main Guard

Cambridge Head Quarters Novem 30th 1775

The Genl Court Martial to Sit tomorrow at 11 Clock at Mr Pomroys in Cambridge to Try Lt Colo Canon for Quitting his Command & Joyn Leave Brigadier Genl Sullivan President with Twelve field Officers Warnt for Court Martial Duty

Nathanl Patent of Capt Davis Company in Colo Prescots Regt try'd by a late Genl Court martial for Attempting to leave the Lines & Quarters & Making a Disturbance on Cobble Hill Contrary to Order the Court Request the Prisoner Who is immediately to be Released

Roxbury Orders Novem 30th 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Cotton for the Regt at Roxbury Major Smith Colo Cotton to furnish the Meeting house Guard Colo Huntington Furnish Drums & fifes at the Fort Guard Orderly Serjt to Genl Ward tomorrow

the Court Martial Whare of Colo Ward was President is Adjourned till Monday morning 9 Clock Adjutant Trogood to Go to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow

Cambridge Head Quarters Novem 1st 1775

Parole Exeter Countersign Providence

The fatal Consequences which have at all times and upon all occations Befallen Armies attact at unawares when they are Scatterd & Remote from their posts or Negligent while at them are So well known & very often So Unhappily felt to stand in Need of this Scription Whereas a Handfull of men prepared for an attact are Seldom Defeated

it is therefore Order'd in the most Express and Peremtory Terms that no Non Commissiond officer nor Soldier do Presume under any pretence Whatever Day or Night to be out of Drum Call of his Alarm post without Leave of the Capt or Commanding officer of the Company he Belongs to

and Whereas as Expressly Ordered that no Non Commissiond officer or Soldier do pass from Cambridge and the Lines on this Side the River to Roxbury or Com mon Leather or So from Eight other to any other place in the Neighbourhood without a Written pass from the Capt or Commanding officer of the Company he Belongs to

At the he Should not mean to Say more then an nour two that the officers of each Regt are to be Subject to the same restraint & to obtain Leave in the same manner from the Colo.o Commanding officer of the Regt they respectively belong, and it is expected that officers and Soldiers of this Army will pay the strictest attention to this order as they Shall answer the Consequences

This Order is not intended to Change the mode of giving furloughs already pointed out in order the sole Design being to keep men to their Duty that they may be always Ready to meet their Enemies upon the Shortest notice it is again & again Expressly order that an officer of Each Company do once a Day Examine the Arms & Ammunition of the Company he belongs to and see that they are fit for use

This and the foregoing Orders are to be frequently Read to the men and the Regulations of them Strongly Inculcated upon them men they are to be Considered as Standing Orders Till Countermanded

The Colo.o Commanding officers of the new Established Regts are to take Special Care that the new Recruits are put under proper Drill Serjts as fast as they Joine in order that they may as Quickly as possible be made acquainted with their Duty it is also Recommended to these Gentlemen to provide their Regts with Good Drums & fifes

Roxbury December 1st 1775

Field officer of the day tomorrow Colo.o Sager
for Picquet & main Guard Major Hotman Adjutant
Leave to go to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow ——

The Genl hears with indignation that notwithstanding the Repeated orders to the Contrary that Some Soldiers are so Regardless of their Duty their Honour and their Sacred Cause of their Country as to waste their Ammunition by firing at marks & otherwise which ought to be used only in Defence of their Country Such Crimes are unpardonable & unpardonable & the Genl in Duty to his Country is Determined to punish them with Severity

Every Officer of the Guard is to be very Vigelent in Detecting & Bringing to punishment all Such offenders Against the Orders above Mentioned and pay Constant Attendance to Every other Order for the Gen.l Good

Cambridge Head Quarters Decem.r 2.d 1775

Parole Congress Countersign Union

James M.c Cornick of Capt.n Bibbe Company in Colo.l Pattesons Regt. Try.d at a late Gen.l Court Martial for Striking Gen.l Putnams horse and Trying at the Same time to Damn you who Come there Clear the Road and for Repeatedly Leaving the Camp without Orders, the Court are of opinion that the Prisoner is Guilty of the Breach of the 3.d 15.th 16.th & 17.th Artical of ~~the~~ War and adjudge him to ~~pay~~ Receive 39 Lashes on the Bare Back

Sergeant Jams King of Colo Pattesons Regt. Try.d at the Same Gen.l Court upon an Appeal from a Regimental Court Martial the Court are of opinion the Prisoner is Guilty of being Absent from his Regiment without Leave & for Striking Sergt Gutteridge when in the Execution of his Duty and therefore Adjudge the Prisoner to be Reduced to the Ranks & pay a fine of 20/ to be Appropriated According to 61.st Articals of war of the Rules & Regulation of the Army

Roxbury December 2.d 1775

Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo.o Putnam

Officer of the Piquet & Main Guard Major Tupper

Gen.l Spencer Furnish the meeting house Guard

Colo Danielson furnish the Guards with Drums & fifes also Send an Orderly Serjeant to Gen.l Wards tomorrow

Gen.l Wards Orders) That all Parties acting as Armourers in this incampment Produce a Certificate of their Appointment under the hand of those who Appointed them on or before Wednesday Next

Head Quarters Cambridge December 2.d Returns

38 men for Provisions Nathan Hosford Capt.n

Cambridge Orders Decem.r 2.d 1775

Countersign

It is with Surprize & Astonishment the Gen.l Learns

That Notwithstanding the Information that was Communicated to the Continental Troops of a Relief being Ordered to Supply their places by the 10th of this Month that many of them and their Arms with them have gone off not only without Leave but Contrary to Express Orders this is therefore to inform those who Remain that the Genl has Sent an Express to the Governor of Connecticut with the Names of Such men as have left the Camp in order that they may be Dealt with in a Manner Suted to the Ignominey of there Behaviour

The Genl also informs those who Remain that it is Necessary for them to obtain a Written Discharge from the Commanding Officer of the Regt they belong to when they are Dismissed on the 10th instant that they may be Distinguished from and not treated as Deserters

The Colos & Commanding Officers of the Connecticut Regts are to Give in there Names to the Colos of their Respective Regts for the purpose above mentioned

Roxbury Orders December 3d 1775

Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Thesphan
Officers of the Picquet Captain Judd & Major Daniellson
Colo Huntington Furnish the meeting house Guard
Colo Read Furnish Drums & Fifes Also Send an Orderly
Sergt to Genl Wards tomorrow

Lieutenant Hyslier to Go for Brew
Genl Wards Brew

The Court Martial which is Adjourn'd to tomorrow to Sit
at that time

Majr Hart to Attend with a Party

4 December 4th Returned 39 men for Provisions

Cambridge Head Quarters December 4th 1775

Parole Chelsea Countersign Paine

Lt Colo Enos tried by the Genl Court Martial whose
Brigade Genl Sullivan was President for Leaving his Command
without Permission & Returning to Cambridge the
Court after Mature Consideration of the Evidence unanimously
of Opinion that the Prisoner was of Absolute
Necessity Obliged to Return with his Division and do therefore
Acquit the Prisoner with Honour the Genl Orders

Lt Colo Connor to be Forth with Relieved from his
Duty

Roxbury Decemr 4th 1775

Adjutant Whiting to go to Cambridge for Orders

Gen Wards Orders Pursuant to Directions from Genl
Washington no Person is to go to the Lines with a Flagg of
Truce that has not had the Small Pox and the Letters
that Come from Boston are to be Dipt in Vinegar before
they are Perused the Officer who goes with the Flagg of
Truce is to be very Carefull that no improper Conversation
Pass Between the Enemy or Any person belonging to
Boston and the people on this side when they are in Company

Pursuant to Directions from Genl Washington the
late Court Martial whereof Brigr Genl Thomas was President
is Directed to set Next Wednesday morning at 11 oClock for
the Reheareing the Case of Colo David Brewer by order
of Genl Ward Jos. Ward Aid Camp

Roxbury December 6th 1775

Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Danielson
Officer of the Picquet & Main Guard Colo Ryle Colonel
Danielson to furnish the Meetinghouse Q. G. Guard
Colo Parsons furnish the Guard with Drums & fifes also find
an orderly Sergt to Genl Wards tomorrow
Adjutant Day to go to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow

All Adjutants to be very Carefull to see that the officers
who were on the late Court Martial whereof Genl Thomas
was President attend tomorrow morning at 11 oClock at
the Meeting house if any officer shall be missing his Adjutt to
make Returns of it this night to the Brigade Major and
Adjutant Thomas to attend the Court

Regimental Orders for Decemr 6th 1775

for Picquet this night Capt Drury Lt Mann
for Main Guard Capt Wheelock Lt Perry
for fatigue Lt Bement

Roxbury December 6th 1775

Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Ward Officer of
the Picquet & main Guard Colo Clapp & Colo
Learned to furnish the meeting house Quarter Guard
Genl Thomas furnish the Guard with Drums & fifes

and also Sen.a an Orderly Sergeant to Gen.l Wards
Adjutant Hart to Go for Orders to morrow

The Gen.l Court Martial whereof Brigadier Gen.l
Thomas is President for the Rehearing of Colo Ezra
Brewer is Adjourn'd till next week on Thursday at
a 11, Clock Coll Newton & Evidence are Orderd to
Give their attendance at Mr. Ralph Smiths

The Main Guard for the future to Remove from
Mr. Howes Bake house in the Street that Leads from ye
Bake house to Potter Davis's Large house there to
Remain till they are Numbered in Order that the
Guard may be Properly Numbered Before the Old Guard
is Relieved as then inconveniencies Seam to attend
the Guards Warning & Parading at the Breast work

Capt Ingersole of the 9th Regiment tryd
by a Gen.l Court martial whereof Colo Ward was
President for making & Spreading throughout the Country
false Scandalous groundless Reports tending to Defame the
Character of the Gen.l & other Officers of the Continental
Army after hearing the Evidence Brought to
Support the Prisoner the Court are unanimously of
Opinion that he is Guilty of a Breach of the 6th, 7th, Articles
of the Rules & Regulation of the Continental Army

and unanimously do Judge the Prisoner to
be Cashiered & Rendered incapable of Serving at any time
hereafter in the Continental Army the Court are further
of Opinion & do Judge that 6 £ be Stop'd out of Capt
Ingersoles pay and be paid in Quit Rotation to Thirty
Hopkins Esqr, Coll Hopkins Sam.l Perley, & to
to Defray their Expences as Witnesses in this Tryal

John Short a Soldier in Capt Clap's Company
& Colo Cottons Regiment tryd by the above Court
Martial for Desertion & Theft brought after hearing
the Evidence to Support the Charge the Court are
unanimously of opinion the prisoner is Guilty & that
he is likewise Guilty of a Breach of the 2d, 9th & 30th
Articles of the Rules Regulations & Army & therefore do Judge
the following Sums of Money to be paid out of his Wages

and Effects Viz^{t} to Capt^{n} Alexander Clap £1:16: for the Expence of Advertiseing & Apprehending Sd Shaft also £1:16: which Capt^{n} Clap paid at Sd Shafts Sale for a former Theft also to William Canning a Soldier in Capt^{n} Claps Company £1:16:10^{d} which he Conveyed away with him when he Deserted also to Daniel Cranford of Sd Company £4:10 for the Damage done him for Stealing his Cloaths Likewise Adjudge the Prisoner to be Whipt 39 Stripes on his Back and Suffer 2 Years imprisonment in New Gate Prison in Simsbury and as much Longer as the Present Contest Between Great Britain & the American Colonies Shall Subsist

John Smith in Capt^{n} Harwoods Company in Colo Learneds Regt, tryd by the same Court Martial for Attempting to ~~the Enemy~~ Desert to the Enemy the Court are of opinion the Prisoner is Guilty of the Breach of the 7 & 8th Articles of the Rules & Regulations of the Massachusetts Army and therefore Adjudge him to pay the Sum of 8£ to Brigadier Gen^{l} Thomas to Defray the Expences of bringing him Back to the Camp & that he Suffer 6 months Imprisonment in New Gate Prison in Simsbury

One Renolds a Transient Person Tryd by the Same Court Martial for Advising and Assisting Jno Smith to Desert to the Enemy after Hearing the Evidence to Support the Charge against the Prisoner the Court are of opinion that he is Guilty of the Breach of the 8th & 31 Articles of the Massachusetts Army & therefore Adjudge him to Suffer one Year imprisonment in New Gate in Simsbury & as Much Longer as the Present Dispute Between Great Britain & the American Colonies Shall Subsist

Daniel Mc Cain a Transient Person tryd by the same Court Martial for aiding Inticing & Persuading Jno Smith to Desert to the Enemy the Court in Hearing the Evidence are of opinion the prisoner is Guilty of a breach the 8th 37 31: 37 & 39th Articals above mentioned therefore Adjudge him to be Whipd 15 Stripes on the Naked back & Suffer one Years imprisonment in New Gate Prison in Simsbury & as much longer as the Contest subsists between Great Britain & the American Colonies

Moses Crane a Transient person Tryd by the same Genl Court martial for Aiding John Smith to Desert to the Enemy on hearing the Evidence the Court are of opinion the Charge is not fully Proved but are of opinion he is not a fit Person to Remain in the Camp & that he be sent out of Camp & not to Return on pain of being Whipt 39 Lashes & be Drum'd out of Camp

The Genl Court Martial Whereof Colo Waid was President is Dissolved ——— Genl Lincoln Orders That the Officer of the Guard at the Magazine at Barnards Hoose Make Strict Care that no fire be Carried near the magizean nor any Gun Discharged near the same nor any Person be allowed to go into the Magizean without a written order from the Genl That the Q. Master Genl

December 5th Drawd Molasses for 38 men should have had 15 Gallons & one Quart but it fell short 12 pints

December 7th Drawd Soap for 39 men fourteen Pounds & three Quarters of pound

December 8th Returned 40 men for Provisions Nathan Hosford Adjt

Cambridge Head Quarters December 7th 1775

The ~~Continental Army~~ Connecticut Regts are to be under Arms upon their Regimental Parade on Saturday at 11 O Clock in the forenoon in Order to be Reviewed they are to have their Arms in good Order the Rolls to be Called over and no man to be absent, Every one that is able must appear for this Purpose they are to be Excused from all Other Duty upon that Day

The Quartermaster Genl is Strictly Enjoind to stay Close to Morlan

to the Orders of the 25th of Novem. Respecting the Quartering Officers &c. and in to prevent Boards & other Materials being Applyed to the Building any House without his Order & none such will be allowed for by the Publick all Officers to pay Due Obedience to this Order

Roxbury December 7th 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Allen for the Picquet this Night and Main Guard Major Jacobs Colo Persons furnish the Meetinghouse Quarter Guard Colo Cotton furnish the Quarter Guard with Drums & Fifes and also send an orderly Serjt to Gen.l Wards Adjutant Daily to go to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow

John Short to Receive his Corporal Punishment this Night at 6 o'Clock Gen.l Thomas and Colo Learned Drums & fifes to Attend at that Time

Regimental Orders for Novem.r Decem.r 8th

For Picquet this Night Capt Millen Lieut.n Brown for Main Guard tomorrow Capt Bains Lieut.n Seaver

Fatigue

All Commissioned officers in the New Establishment to Return the Number of men they have Inlisted to the Colo.s tomorrow

By Order of Colo Ward

James Hart Adjutant

Roxbury December 8th 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Learned for the Picquet & Main Guard Major Whitcomb Gen.l Tho.s furnish the Meetinghouse 2.d Guard Colo Walker furnish the Guards with Drums & fifes and also send an orderly Serjt to Gen.l Wards tomorrow

Adjut Thomas to go for Orders tomorrow

All the Massachusetts to be Reminded that the Connecticut Right are to be Mustered tomorrow & Consequence a large Incrementation of the main Guard will be for tomorrow only a Detail is made out and no Adjut is to plead Ignorance of the more that all the Weekly Returns be made & Brought in this Night no Blanks can be rec.d

Cambridge Head Quarters Decem.r 9.th 1775

Serj.t Lane of Col.o Whitcombs Regt with 19 men of
Different Regts whose Names are Corps & Companys
Who are Delivered to the Brigade Major Carey are immediately
to be Drafted & sent to the Quarter master Gen.l to
Receive his Order

Roxbury Orders Decem.r 9.th 1775

Officer of the Day tomorrow Col.o Nixon for Picquet & Main
Guard Major Tyng Col.o Cotton furnish the meeting house
Quarter Guard tomorrow Gen.l Spencer furnish the Guard
With Drums & fifes & Col.o Sargent Bradley Regt to Gen.l
Wards tomorrow

84/ Adjut Shaw to go to Cambridge for orders tomorrow the
Details tomorrow to be as has been usual heretofore

Roxbury Orders Decemr 10.th 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Putnam
Adjut Robbins to go for orders tomorrow
The Gen.l is astonished that in the face of such
Repeated Orders against firing of small arms that
any man is so ready and Desiring as to perfist in it
he for this once Assures all officers and Soldiers
that the utmost Efforts will be taken to suppress the
same and that all officers do there utmost to put a stop
to such a pernicious proceeding

By Order of Gen.l Ward

Peter Sawtell a stealing person tryd by a Genl
Court Martial of which Col.o Bailey was President
for stealing the Prisoner pleads Guilty the Court
Adjudge that he Relive ten Stripes on his bare back
and Return the goods Coln took from off Wm Hopes
Craft Josiah Watson in Capt Ingersols Company
the late Col.o Prescotts Regt tryd by the same Court
martial for Desertion the prisoner pleads Guilty the
Court Adjudge him to be fined the Sum of one pound which
is to be Deducted out of his Wages & paid to Col.o Putnam
to be by him Laid out for the Relief of the Needy Soldiers
in his Regt

The Gen.l Approves of the above Sentances and

Orders them to take place immediately that all the Massachusetts Regt's Regiment the Main Guard with 13 men Each Regt added to the Detail & there is no time to make a new Detail the Regt. to Observe this Order

Orderly Orders December 12th

The Militia Companys to do Duty tomorrow the Piquet to Consist of 2 Capt. 2 Lieu. 3 Serjt 120 Rank & file to take Arms tomorrow Night

December 11th Returned 21 men for Provisions Nathaniel Low Orderly Serjt

Cambridge 10th December 1775

The Genl has Great Pleasure in thanking Cols Bridge and the officers of the 27th Regt who from Peculiarity of circumstances or want of Vacancies has no Establishment in the New Established Army for this Petite Address he Considers the assurance they have given of their Determination to Continue in the Service if Required untill the New Establishment Regiments are Completed in a very favourable Light Especially as it is accompanied with further assurances the men of the 27th Regt and Consisting the Spirit of such a Conduct at this Important Crisis Cannot fail of giving to Every well Wisher to his Country and Next to Engagin another year is the highest Proof they Can Give of their Establishment to the Noble Cause of Liberty at the same time that it reflects Honour upon themselves it may under Providence at the same time Give Posterity to Reason to Bless them as the happy means Instrumt of their Deliverance from those Chaines which were absolutely forging

A Company of the New Hampshire Militia are to march to Roxbury for the Reinforcement of that Department the Captain will Receive Genl Wards Orders what Regt they are to Joine the Remainder of the New Hampshire Militia are to Joine the Brigade on Winter hill & Prospect hill in Cambridge together with Companys of Militia from the Massachusetts which are to Joine

Prescott Glover and Nixon's Regiments are to be appointed to the New Established Regiments as the Major of Brigade and Brigadier Genl. Shall think fit for the most Equitable Decision and Destribution of them the Capts. of the Several Companys of the Militia from the Massachusetts and New Hampshire Governments are to make Exact Returns of them Companies and Return them without Delay to the Adjt Genl.

Cambridge Head Quarters December 11th 1775

The Major of Brigade to be more Exact in Obliging the Capts to Deliver to them Every Saturday at Orderly time an Exact Return Signed by the Commanding Officer of the [illegible] New Established Regts of men weekly Inlisted in Each of those Regts the Major of Brigade will for the future be answerable for any Neglect in Executing this Order.

to Reward and Incourage Militia Merit the Congress thought Proper to Increase the pay of Capts and Subaltern of the Continental Army and as uniformity and Decency in Dress are Essentionally Necessary in the appearance and Regularity of an Army his Excellency Earnestly Intreats them selves in a Proper uniform Dress the Field Officer of Each of the New Corps will Set the Example by Clothing themselves in a Regimental of their Respective Corps and it is not Doubted but the Captains and Subs Will immediately follow the Example the Genl by no means Recommends or Designs Officers to Run into Costly or Expensive Reglementals as matter how plain or Coarse so that they are Best uniform in their Colour Cut and fation the Officer Belonging to those Regiments whose uniform are Not yet Fixt upon Had Better Delay Making till they are

Roxbury Orders December 11th 1775

Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Eagor Officer of the Main Guard Capt Major Barnes. The Colo Brewer furnished the Guard with Drums & fifes Valet Gendron orderly Sgt to Genl Wards Adjut Bancroft to goto Cambridge for Orders tomorrow

Roxbury December 12th 1775

Officers of the Day tomorrow Colo Pearson for Picquet &
Main Guard Major Brattle that all the Regts take
proper Care to instruct the New Method in the Customs &
manners of the Camp in Gen.l as to Duty Guards &c in
Particular with the Gen.l Orders Constantly that no Inconvenience
may happen by Reason of such Neglect

that Colo Learned Regt furnish the Quarter Guard
tomorrow — Lost or Stolen from Nath.l Putnam the 8th
Instant Between the Punchbowl & Roxbury Meeting House
a Pocket Book With above Sixty Dollars & 2 Notes of
hand one against Elisha Lett Howell and the other against
James Gibbs the Pocket book is of a Russet Leather
with a Brass Lock Whoever shall Discover the Person who
has got the same shall have 2 Dollars Reward & leave
the same with Major Bowes at his office in Roxbury

Cambridge December 12th 1775

The Honourable Continental Congress having Been pleased
to Appoint Henry Knox Esqr Colo of the Regt of the
Artillery upon the New Establishment he is to be Obeyed
as such

the Colo or Commanding officers of the 6 Connecticut
Regts of the New Establishment to Deliver to the
Hon.ble Adjut Genl tomorrow morning at Orderly time an
Exact List of the Commissioned officers of their Respective
Corps together with a Return of the men they have in their
& the above Regiment an Express is immediately
to set out to Govenor Trumble Who has Demanded the
same to lay them Before the Assembly of that Colony

Continental Orders for Decem.r 13th
for Picquet Eight Capt Gates Lt Brown Lt Sherman
for Main Guard tomorrow Lt Huntington
for Fatigue None

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Cambridge Head Quarters Decem.r 13th 1775

The Major Genl.s are to order the Militia Companys to be Joind to the Different Brigades Regts & Devisions in such a Manner as to supply the Deficiency of the Conecticut Troops
and to Prevent Disorder & Confusion in Case we Should be Call'd to action and make Report thereof as soon as it is Done as these Companys have an Inclination to Joine Particular Regts the Genl has no Objection in any instance When it Can be Done Consittant with the Service and the allotment to Different incampments

the Adjts of Every Regt to which any of these Companys have Joind are to Acquaint them with the Genl and Brigade Orders that they may not unknowingly Disobay them the Cols of the Severals Regts upon the New Establishment Respectively Supply to the Commissary of the Ordinance Stores for 70 Stand of Arms Lately taken in the Store Ships from London

Roxbury December 18th 1775

Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Col.o Huntington for the Picquet and Main Guard Major Smith Col.o Read Furnish the Guard with Drums & Fifes also Send an orderly Serj.t to Gen.l Wards tomorrow A Quarter Weeks to Go to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow

That all New Capts that are Coming to Camp make Return immediately to the Adjut Genl at Cambridge as Ordered in the Order the 10th instant and that all Adjuts in the Next Weekly Returns make a proper Destinction Between the Old & New Troops in the Returns

Grate Complaints is made by the Engineer for Artificers Not Sending Officers with Fatigue men

The Late Genl Court Martial whereof Col.o Bailey was President Thos Pratt Tryd by said Court Martial the Court do acquit him Genl Ward approves of the Sentance and said Court is Dessolved

The Genl Observes the Spirit & Quiet of the Camp Since the Arival of the Militia the Prospect Appears flattering altho they have not been inured to Service of the past Season there are Diffi

Zeal and Ardent Ambition for the Salvation of their Country will inspire them with a true Sence of the Necessity of Regularity and Discipline Especially in a Camp So Near the Enemy

Condescention my worthy Countrymen to all Orders will Become agreeable Rather then a Burthen by Duely Observing them he Doubts not your Desire and Promptness to become Acquainted with the Orders & Rules of the Camp will afford him no Opertunity of Requesting you to Do the same

the Honour & Credit of the Colony which has ben wounded by the Rash & Disobediant Conduct of Sum of its own Sons will if you Continue Patient in Service till the Army is Established and the Lines fully manned be Repaired and the Insinuation of Sum which perhaps may have had too much foundation in truth that we have not inherent Virtue Sufficient without Being Bribed in the Defence of our Invaluable Priviledges be as Groundless as they are Infamious Indelible infamy of Such Insinuation When found in truth the Honour of the Colony and Continent the Duty you owe to your Posterity & Supream Benefactor and preserver Lays you under the indefeasable Bond to act your part Well

the adjt of the Several Regts to with Descover their Detachment to the Common Cause in proportion their Zeal & activity in Disciplining and instructing the Troops Lately arived there unwearied pains will be Rewarded with a pleasing Reflection that they Perform their Duty Required of them

December 15th Returned 39 men
for Provisions Joseph Sherman Jr.

Roxbury December 14th 1775
Colo Gridley Chief Engineer

Send an Orderly Serjt to Genl Wards tomorrow at 8 o'clock
Regiment to go to Cambridge for Orders tomorrow ——

Cambridge Head Quarters December 15th 1775

The Quartermasters of all the Regts are as soon as
possible to Deliver to the Deputy Commissary Genl
Mr Elisha Lowry all the Cyder Barrels Butter Firkins
& Candle Boxes in the Possession of their Respective
Corps as those Articles are very much Wanted for the
Publick Service

Roxbury December 15th 1775

Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Col Cotton Officer
of the Day at Main Guard Major General Col Cotton
Furnish the Meeting house Guard tomorrow

Col Brewer Furnish the Guard with Drums
& Fife and Send on Orderly Serjt to Genl Wards
tomorrow at 8 o'clock Lieutenant Colo Cambridge to Order
tomorrow that the Several Adjuts be very Exact in
Making there Returns this night

Roxbury December 16th 1775

Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Taylor Officer of the
Main Guard & Brewer Major Danielson Colo Walker
Furnish the Meeting house Guard Genl Thomas
Furnish the Guard with Drums & Fifes and also Send an
orderly Serjt to Genl Wards tomorrow

Adjt Whiting to Go to Cambridge tomorrow

Ordered that all the Several Captns of the Militia make
Seperate Returns to the Adjutant Genls as have been
Ordered Before by tomorrow at noon by same time as Parole
Expects orders for the same

Camp at Roxbury December 16th 1775

A Court of Enquiry to Set at Head Quarters monday morning at
9 o'Clock to Enquire into the Behaviour of Major Clark
Capt Hall Genl and Major Thompson Respecting the
Quartering of Troops in the house of Genl Thompson
and make Report

Colo Huntington President
Colo Wyllys & Major Prentice Members

Jos Wood Aid de Camp

Roxbury Decem^r 17^th 1775

Field offices of the Day tomorrow Col^o Baly officer of the

Picquet & Main Guard Col^o Learned Gen^l Spencer furnish

the Meetinghouse & Guard Col^o Cotton to furnish the Guard

with Drums & fifes and also send an Orderly serj^t to Gen^l

Ward tomorrow Adj^t Hunt Day to go for Orders tomorrow

that 2 men from Each Regt who are Boatmen to Read at the

Mill Creek tomorrow morning at 9 Clock a.m. from Col^o Read

& Capt from Col^o Daniel Bond and there wait for Orders

Cambridge Decem^r 17^th 1775

When first Recruits from the Country Join the New Established

Regts the Cols or Commanding officer of their Regts are to

Discharge the like No of old Soldiers who have not Engag^d

for the Next Campaign he is to take Care to part with the most

Indifferent first

A Gen^l Court Martial to set tomorrow morning

in Cambridge at 10 Clock in the forenoon to Try such Persons as

shall be Brought Before them all Evidences & Persons Concerned

to attend the Court

Roxbury December 18^th 1775 Returned

89 men for Provisions Joseph Shannon Lt

Roxbury December 18^th 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Col^o Read officer of

the Picquet & Main Guard Col^o Frye Col^o Huntington

furnish the Meetinghouse Guard Col^o Walker furnish

the Guard with Drums & fifes also send an Orderly Serj^t

to Gen^l Ward tomorrow

Adjut Hunt to go for Orders tomorrow

A Gen^l Court Martial to set tomorrow morning

at 9 Clock to Try such Persons as shall be Brought before

them all Witnesses & Persons Concerned to attend the Court

Col^o Hitchcock President

Col^o Hammond, Col^o Chapin, Col^o Foster, Col^o Sumner

Capt^n Baron, Shaw, Maj^r Frager, Banister, Howard, Furney, Gray, Elmer

Members

Capt. Turks Judge Advocate to sit at the Head
Colo Cotton appointed to attend the Court
Cambridge Decem[r] 18th 1775

The Colo or Commanding Officers of Regts & Corps are
to Deliver to the Adjut Genl at proper time Sett
oct[o]r Rolls Decem[r] & Decem[r] & also an abstract for the month of
Saturday next. May Abstracts for the months of January
Next) for Each of the new Established Corps
the Honorable the Continental Congress having
been Pleased to Order all those who Have Bravely
Refused to serve there Country another year Shall
be Rewarded with one months Pay advanced

Regimental Orders for 2[d] Decem[r] 1775
for Piquet this night Capt Gray 1[st] Reny 2[d] Lincoln
for Main Guard tomorrow 1[st] Sherman
for Fatigue

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Roxbury Decem[r] 19th 1775
Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Walker
Adjut Bailey to go for Orders tomorrow
the Court Martial whereof Colo Cotton is President is
adjourn'd till tomorrow morning 10 o'Clock at Mr Watermans
where all Persons & Evidences Concern'd are Desired to attend

Regimental Orders for 20 Decem[r] 19th
for Piquet this night Capt Drury 1[st] Herrington 2[d] Wheat
for Main Guard tomorrow Capt Gates 1[st] Jonas Brown
for Fatigue

The Capt[s] or Commanding Officers of Companys upon the
Old Establishment to make up the Abstracts for the months
of October November & Decembr & also those of the New
Establishment to Return in the Names of those men
who have not been Return'd & make up their Abstracts
of the month of January next and all those Abstracts to
be made out and Delivered to the Adjut by tomorrow
Night the 21[st] Instant without fail according to Genl
Orders By Order of Coll Ward James Nash Adjt

Head Quarters Cambridge Decem[r] 20th 1775
In Consequence of a Complaint Exhibited the Capt & Commd
Officers & Corps in the Brigade on Winter Hill on the 2[d] of

Court against Commissary Genl Trumbull his Excellency is Pleased
to Order a Court of Enquiry to Set tomorrow Morning 11 o'Clock
Forenoon to Examine into the Cause Thereof
Major Genl Putnam with Brigadier Sullivan Brent & Heath
to Compose the Court of Enquiry all Evidences & Persons
Concerned to attend the Court the Court will Set at
Genl Putnams House
Judge Advocate to attend
Roxbury Decemr 20th 1775
Field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Danielson
officer of Picquet & Main Guard Major Mitchell
Adjutant Thomas to Go for Orders tomorrow
Roxbury Decemr 20th 1775
Field officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Ward
for Picquet & Main Guard Major Tupper
Adjutant Shaw Gone for Orders tomorrow
Pursuant to Directions from Genl Washington
Charles Knowles Quartermaster of Colo Wyllys Regt is
Appointed to Receive into Custody the Arms which have
been Detained that Belong to Discharged Soldiers and so to
Deliver out those Arms to such officers as shall have
an order therefor from Genl Ward and take there
Receits for the Same
Lt Mc Nall Tryed at a Genl Court Martial
of which Colo Cotton was President Accused of Using
Lt Goodell with Insolent and abusive Language and acting
unbecoming an officer the Court after Due Consideration
are of Opinion the Prisoner is Guilty of a Breach of the
first Clause of the 11th Artical of the Rules & Regulations
of the Continental Army and that he is also Guilty
of a Breach of the 56th Artical of the Rules above
Mentioned & therefor Adjudge him to be fined two pounds
to be Stopped out of his Wages and Acquitted according to the
62d artical of the Rules above Mentioned and be
Reprimanded by Genl Thomas and make an Acknowledge (ment)
to Lt Goodell in the Presence of Genl Thomas
The Genl Approves of the above Sentance and Orders it
to take place

Roxbury Orders Decem.r 21st 1775.

Officer of the Day tomorrow Col.o Ward for the Piquet and Main Guard Major Sumner Adjut Hall Goes for Orders tomorrow

Pursuant to Directions from Genl Washington Charles Knowles Quartermaster of Col.o Nixons Regt is appointed to Receive into Custody the arms which have been Detained that Belong to Discharged Soldiers and also to Deliver out those arms to such officers as shall have an Order therefor from Gen.l Ward and take their Receipt for the same

December 22.d Returned Women for Provisions

Roxbury December 22.d 1775

Field officer of the Day tomorrow Col.o Doo officer of the Piquet & Main Guard Major Barrow Col.o Persons furnish the Meetinghouse Guard with Drums & fifes also Send an orderly Serjt to Gen.l Wards tomorrow

Adjut Holden Goes for orders tomorrow

Cambridge December 23.d 1775

The Col.o or Commanding officer of Each New Established Regt will Each of them Receive on Monday Next from the Adjut Genl a Warrant for 800 Dollars to pay their men for their Blankets Exact Accounts of the Distributing the money is to be kept & Rendered when Call.d for Particularizing the men's Name the Company they Belong to & the Towns they Com from the Capts of the Artillery Company are again Called upon Exact Returns Roll of their men Specifying the Towns they Com from & the Regt they are Joined to the Genl Expects from those officers & Soldiers a Strict obediance of Standing orders forbiding Rambling from Camp without Leave & Hopes Every Person will Exactly in his Private Station to preserve Order and that Exactness so Necessary in an army within the Cannon Shott of their Enemies

Roxbury Decem.r 23.d 1775

Officer of the Day tomorrow Col.o Learned officer of the Main Guard & Piquet Major Prentice Genl Thomas Furnish the Meeting house Guard with Drums & fifes also Send an orderly Serjt to Genl Wards tomorrow

Adjut Bannister Goes for orders

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Cambridge Head Quarters Decem 24.

By his Excelency Genl Washington & Board of Genl. Officers
Set yesterday in Cambridge & unanimously Recomended the
following Rations to be Delivered in the following manner (Viz)
Corned Beef & Pork 4 Days in the week Salt fish one Day &
fresh Beef 2 Days as milk Cannot be Procured in the
Winter Season the men are to have one pound & a half of Beef
or 18 oz of Pork pr. Day & Pint of Rice or a point of
Indian Meal pr. Week one Quart of Spruce Beer pr Day
or 9 Gallons of Melosses for 100 men pr. week 6 lb of Candle
for 100 men pr Week pr Guard 6 oz of Butter or 9 oz of
hogo Lard pr. Week 3 points of Peas or Beens pr man pr
Week or Vigetables acquevilent allowing 6/ pr Bushel
for Peas or Beans 4/6. pr Bushel for onions & 4/ pr Bushel
for Turnips & potatos one pound of flower pr man pr Day
hard Bread to be Dealt out one Day in a week in Lieu
of flower the above Allowance is ordered to be Issued by
the Commissary Genl to all the Troops of the United Colonies
Serving in the Department untill the Honorable Continental
Congress or the Commander in Chief Thinks Proper to alter it

Capt Wentworth Steward of Colo Phenys
Regt. Tryd at a Genl Court Martial Whare of Colonel
Brickett was President for Disobediance of orders & gross
abuse of Lt. Colo March of 3d Regt the Court are
unanimously of opinion that Capt. Steward is guilty of
Repeated abuse to Lt. Colo March and therefore Adjudge
that he ask Pardon of Colo March Before all the officers
of the Regt and at the same time Receive a Severe
Reprimand from Colo Phenys

John Wigley in Capt Williams Company in Colo
Gratons Regt Tryd at the above Court Martial for
Robing the Quartermaster Genl Store the Court finds
the Prisoner Guilty of 4th Artical of the Rules &
Regulations of the Massachusetts army and therefore
Adjudge him to Receive 60 Lashes on his Naked back the
Genl Approves the above Sentance & Orders them to be put in
Execution the first fare Day

Roxbury Orders Decem^r 24^th 1775

The Colo^s of the New Established Regts that have not Made Return of their N^os that have Ben Recruted in the Several Regts the week Past are Very Peremptorely Called upon to Do the Same this Day to the Brigade Major and N^o Excuse will be Taken for a Neglect & that Every Militia Capt Make out a Proper Roll of his Company so that the Adjut Gen^l may have it at Orderly time at Cambridge Tomorrow Morning at 11 o Clock

Officer of the Day Tomorrow Colo Hayley officer of the Main & Picquet Guard Major Smith Colo Learned Furnish the Guard with Drums & fifes & also send an orderly Serj^t to Gen^l Wards Tomorrow

Adjut Toogood Gone for Orders tomorrow

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The Court of Enquiery of which Colo Huntington was President having inquired into the Conduct of Major Bark and Major Thompson Respecting the Matter of Quartering Troops in the house of Said Thompson Reported in the following Manner it is the opinion of the Court that the Matter has Ben Conducted in obediance and Suitable to his Orders & as the Nessesity of the Case Required Signed by Order Jedediah Huntington

With inexpressable Concern the Gen^l hears the Surprizeing Negligence & inatention of the Guard Centries the Night before Last & Can impute it to Nothing but the want of Zeal & activity of Both officers & Soldiers to become Acquainted with those Duties & Customs that so Essentially Nessesary in the Camps as our Whole Salvation under Providence Depends on the Vigelance and Alertness of Guards & Centries by Night as it Would be impossable to injoy the Least Quiet & Rest if we had not Confidence in those that are Placed for the security of the Camps what Feeling Reflections must those persons have who are Plac'd in Such important Posts when they Consider that a Door has Ben Opened by them for the Enemy to Enter the Camps & Massacree & Captivate Thousands of their fellow Country men & that total Loss of our Righteous & Glorious Cause might then by ensue it is impossable to Conceive words are insufficient to Point the infamy & horrour of Such a piece the Gen^l

Therefore with a heart full of Anxiety & Concear for the
Safety of the Camp most Earnestly Pleads with the field
Officers in Particularly and with Officers of Rank to be
Unwearied in their Endeavours to Instruct others in the Most
Essential Rules and Customs of the Camp they are very simple
& Easey to be Communicated he Would also Particularly Recomend
the Officers that have Ben in the Service from the Begining of
the Campaign that Probaly many of them at that time
are Little Acquainted with Camp Duety as those that have Lately
arived and as indefatigable pains have been taken to Instruct them he thinks he may Justly
Expect that they will use their Endeavours to Teach
their Their Duety

The Genl Solomnly Injoyns the Officers of
those Companys that have Lately arived to Spare no pains
in Gaining Sufficient Knowledge to Enable them to Act
their Part With Propriety When they are Called to be upon
Guard or out Posts and to Instruct their Companies how
to Behave When any of them are upon Guard or Placed
as Centrys The Major of Brigade will Take Care to have as
Great a part as Possible of the Main Guard Consist of
Old Troops the Officers Commanding will Take Care
to Relieve the Centrys Every hour & Oftener if they
Judge the Extremity of the Weather Requires

Roxbury Orders &c. Head Quarters Camp
Roxbury Decem 25th 1775

Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Eager Officer of the Main
& Picquet Guard Major Holman Colo Walker furnish the
Meetinghouse Guard Colo Parsons furnish the Guard with
Drums & Fifes and also Send an orderly Sergt to Gibbs Wards
Regt Weeks Gone for orders tomorrow

That the Major of Brigade Draft a Sufficient Party of
men for fatigue tomorrow to Clear of the Snow from the tops
of the Parapets Horns & Flanches and the Snow in the
Inside of them is to be Shoveled Back Clean to the Distance
of one Rood this is always to be Don after a Snow Storm
or When the wind has Blown the Snow into the said Place
which are to be Kept Clean the Commanding Officer at
Dorchester will attend to this Order and will Draft a party
for the Purpose above Mentioned

December 25th Returned 30 men for
Provisions

Roxbury December 26th 1775

Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo Huntington for Piquet and Main Guard Major Leonard all Others Commands as Just

Adjt Bement Gos for Orders tomorrow

The Genl Court Martial Whereof Colo Cotton is President stands Adjourn'd to Thursday Next at 10 o'Clock for the Tryal of such Persons as Shall be Brought Before them All Persons Concerned are Desired to attend at that Time & Place

Cambridge Decem.r 26th 1775

A Court of inquiry Consisting of Major Genl Putnam President Brigadier Genl Heath Sullivan and Green Members held by his Excellency the Gen.l Order to Examine into the Cause of a Complaint Exhibited by a Number of field officers & Others in Genl *

December 27th Drawd a Quart of Molosses

Forman No 40 Quarto Nathan Rose

* Sullivans Brigade against Commissary Genl Joseph Trumbull Esqr the Articals in the Complaint were first for No 1 Delivering out the Back Allowance of Peas or the Value thereof in Money to the Officers & Men 2.dly for Taking in Onions at 2/ p.r Bushel and Delivering them out at 4/ 3.dly for taking in Potatoes at 1/6 and Delivering them out at 2/ 4th Court on Mature Consideration Beg Leave to Report to his Excellency that the first Artical of the Charge is Groundless & the 2d & 3d are fully satisfyd there was Not the Least of Fraud in the Gentleman they are unanimously of opinion that the Measure was Pernicious & injudicious the Genl approves the Proceedings of the above Court of inquiry

Thomas Tyler of Capt Glovers Company Colo Glovers Regt Tryd at a Genl Court Martial for Desertion and found Guilty & ordered to Pay £10 to be Appropriated according to the Rules & Regulations of the Massachusetts army

The Genl approves of the Sentance of the above Court and Orders it to take Place accordingly

Decem.r 29th Orderd 40 men for Boxioins

Nathan Rose Adjt

Cambridge Head Quarters Decem.r 27th 1775

The Regimental Quarter Masters are forthwith to Settle with and Give Receipts to the Commissary Genl or his Deputies for the Rum they have Drawn they are to take the Whole of their Provision and Weekly Allowance then Due the Colo is to have Blanket Cloathing of the Quarter master Genl Now for the use of Those

are Desired to Discharge there Respective Debts out of the Money they are about to Recive in Behalf of there Respective Regts

The Colos of the New Established Regts to order ~~the~~ Recruiting officers to send all the Recruites they have Raised to there Respective Regts at Roxbury & Cambridge by the first Day of January Next

Roxbury orders Decem^r 28^th 1775

Officer of the Day Tomorrow Colo. Walker Officer of the Piquet and Main Guard Colo. Leonard Adjut Whiting Goes for orders

Tomorrow

Corporal Mann Tryd by a Genl Court Martial whereof Colo Cotton was President for Desertion Having heard the Partys the Court Do Sentance Unanimously of the opinion that the Prisoner Pay the Sum of 22/ to be Stop^t out of his wages to be Applyed to the use of the Continental army Agreable to the Rules Established for Sines and that the said Corporal Mann Now of the late Capt Ingersols Comp^y in the late Colo. Brewers Regt be Reduced to a Private and Return immediately to his Duty the Genl Approves the Sentance and orders the Same to take Place immediately

Artemas Ward Major Genl

Cambridge Head Quarters Decem^r 28^th 1775

as the time Draws Nigh that the Massachusetts New hampshire and Rhodeisland Troops not again inlisted will be Released from there Present Service the Genl Recomends it to them to Consider what will be the Consequence of there abrupt Departure from the Lines should any accident happen to them Before the New army is to Strength they Not only fix Eternal ~~Disgrace~~ Disgrace upon themselves as Soldiers but Inevitible Ruen perhaps upon there Country & families: it is from no ~~the~~ Dislike to the Conduct of the officers that the Genl Requests the men to Stay without them but in the first place because it is unnecessary to Burden the Continent with a Greater Number of officers then are Requisite & the men in the Next Place Because it is Essential to the forming the Proper Government of the New

Regts those Non Commissioned officers & Soldiers therefore
Who have there Countrys welfare so much at heart as to stay
Till the last of January Next if Necessary may joine
any Company in any of the New Established Regts they
Please Provided they do not increase the Number of
Rank & file in such Company to More then 76 Men More
then which no Company is to Exceed All the officers and
Soldiers at Present of other Regts but Appointed too
or inlisted in Colo Learneds Parsons Joseph Reeds Huntington
Wards Wyllys & Bailey Regts are to joine them tomorrow at
which time any officer or Soldier in Eighther of those Regts
under the New Establishment are to joine in like Manner
All the officers & Soldiers under the New Establishment who
Belong to Colo Prescott & Glover Patersons Sergeant Phinney Arnolds
Gridton and Baldwins Regts are to joine on Monday Next when
any officer or Soldier in Eighter of those Regts Belonging to
other Regts are also to Remoove to them on Sunday the
same Change is to take Place with Respect to Colo Jame Read
Nixon Starks Whitcombs Vernum Hitchcock Little
Webb Bond and Huntingtons Regts it is Recommended to the
Colo of Each of the Above Mentiond Regts to send officers at
the time Appointed to Receive & March them from the
Regt they are inlisted out of to those they are to joine that
it may be Effected with More Regularity and Ease & the
Change Made with as little Confusion as Possable it is
Expected of such men as are Not Determined not to Continue
in the Service another Campaign that they will sell
there Blankets to those who do and are in want of them
the same thing is also Recomended to the Militia in Assisting
the army the Genl Expects that they be Numbered and
Marked in such Manner that the owners of them and the
Price may be at any time Ascertained upon the Delivery
of them to the Commissary of the Stores & Armes that
Appraised and taken for the use of the Publick must be
Delivered in to the Commissary of Ordinance Stores be they
be Redrawn immediately if the Colo will pass his Receipt
for them & account for the Delivery of them to his men

Cambridge Head Quarters December 29th 1775

The Commissary Genl having Estimated the Value of the Different Species of Provisions which Constitutes a Ration under the Continental Allowance & Judging it to amount to seven pence half penny Lawfull money the Genl having seen the said Estimate Approves of it and Orders that they be Settled Accordingly

The Genl was in hopes that a Sufficient Sum of Money wod have been Sent from Philidelphia to have paid the Troops for the Months of October Novemr & Decemr but I am sorry to inform them that there is Not Now yet arived then will allow one Months Pay

The Advance Pay to the New Army and Blanket Money Furnishing at the same time a Commissary and Quartermaster Genl with such Sums as are Necessary for Conducting there Beausiness

The Genl has Already Wrote an Express to the Congress for More Money & hopes Speadily to be furnished with a Sufficient Sum to pay them in full

Particular Care is to be Taken by the Colo. & Commanding Officers of Corps not to Let any amunition to be Carryd off by the Discharged men but that the same be Collected & Delivered to the New Recruites or Necessary if not to the Commissary of Stores

Cambridge Head Quarters Decemr 30th 1775

Parole Marblehead Countersign Manly

As the want of Timely Supplys of Cash has Prevented the Discharged men Receiving More then one Months pay at this Time the Quarter Master Genl may withhold his Accounts untill the Next Payment when his Charges against the Several Regts Must be paid the Commissary Genl is to serve Provision or the Value thereof to the Discharged men to Carry them home allowing one Ration for Every 20 Miles they March — as the Genl is Informed a Number of Free Negroes are Desirous of Intisting in Gloucs Leave to the Recruiting Officers to

Entertain them and promises to lay the Matter
before the Congress he Doubts not will approve of it
The Massachusetts Rhodeisland New hampshire
Regts upon the Old Establishment to parade tomorrow
morning at 10 o Clock upon their Regimental Parade
when they will hear & Receive the Commander in Chiefs
Direction Such of the Non Commissioned Officers and
Soldiers who Presume to Leave off there Arms Contrary
to the Express Order of the Gen.l & to the Most
Pressing Demand of the Country may Depend on it
they will be Mulcted all the Pay and Ration Money
that is now Due to them

Roxbury Decem.r 30.th 1775

Officer of the Day tomorrow Colo. Great Officer of
the Picquet Nullain Guard Major Tupper

Adjt. Hurd to Go for Orders tomorrow

All Weekly Returns to be made on Monday next

That a Fatigue Men attend the
Quarter Master Gen.l from Each of the New Established
Regts

William Tyson Benjamin Jones Jno.a Williams
Josiah Hicks & Daniel Laurance of Colo Watkins
Regt tried by a Gen.l Court Martial & Whereof Col.o
Cotton was President for Swearing & Drinking Beyond
Measure the Court are of Opinion the Prisoners
above named are not Guilty

January 1.st 1776 A Return of the Men
Discharged in Capt Drurys Company of Colo Wards Regt
for their Ration Money allowed to Carry them home
No of men 31 No of Miles 41. 3 Men above 120 miles

Hey Elijah